State of South Dakota

EIGHTY-FOURTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2009

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SENATE BILL NO. 198

Introduced by: Senators Peterson, Ahlers, and Gillespie and Representatives Street, Engels, Feinstein, Hunt, McLaughlin, and Olson (Betty)

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require notice if certain immunizations contain more
- 2 than trace amounts of mercury.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. No early childhood immunization that contains more than trace amounts of
- 5 mercury or preservatives containing mercury may be administered unless the parent or legal
- 6 guardian of the child who is to receive the immunization is informed, prior to the
- 7 administration, that the immunization contains more than trace amounts of mercury or
- 8 preservatives containing mercury. For the purposes of this section, the term, early childhood
- 9 immunization, means any immunization administered to a child under eight years of age. For
- the purposes of this section, the term, trace amounts, means any amount less than 0.5 microgram
- of mercury per 0.5 milliliter dose of vaccine.